



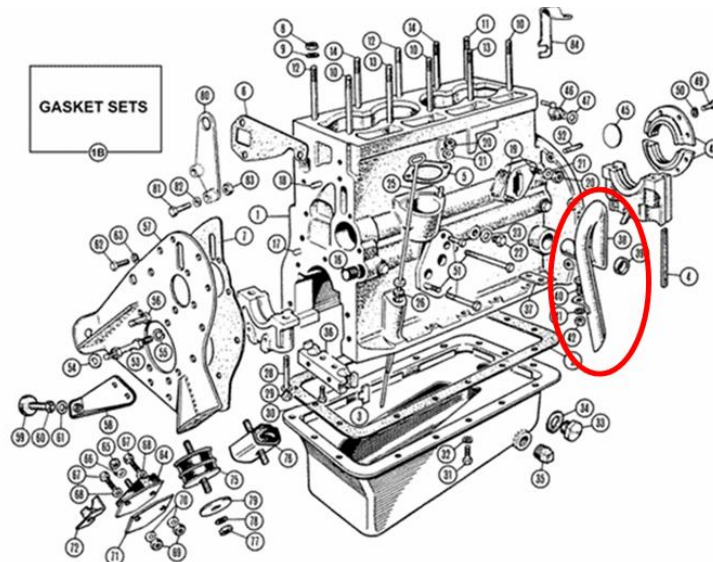
## CVTR - TR REGISTER WHEELSPINNER AWARD WINNERS 2010

### NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2011

Plenty to report this month, particularly with the TR Register IWE at Harrogate this year, many thanks to Phil and Sandy Blake, and Richard Durrant for their efforts and reports.

This month also sees an innovation with the inaugural “ladies” section, so don’t say we are male biased!

#### TECHNICAL ARTICLE OF THE MONTH Part 2 – My Garage Stinks (but nowhere near as bad)!



Well it was a great idea, and to be fair, most of the smell in the garage has been sorted, only to be replaced by another problem uncovered whilst driving to Harrogate for the IWE.

All was going really well as far as Doncaster when I stopped at the in laws for a break and a cup of tea, and that was when I spotted a trail of oil spots along the road leading to their house! I checked the oil level and found I had “consumed” almost 4 litres between Evesham and Doncaster, a distance of 135 miles. “Consumed” turned out to be a misnomer as further checks revealed that the crank case pressure build up created by blocking the breather (as on later cars) caused oil to be “blown” out of mainly the dipstick hole.....

Too late to do anything about it at this stage, so I refilled the sump and continued to the showground, where I left the car all weekend until the return journey on Sunday.

Speaking to Steve Hall from TR Enterprises confirmed that no damage would accrue from the crank case pressure, other than a real mess (and he was correct)!

Another 3 litres of oil were disposed of along the M1 and M42, drip by drip, and on inspection when I got home, I found that the whole nearside underside of the car was dripping with oil, no need for any more rust proofing for a couple of years!

So, to correct the problem, I have altered the original breather snorkel and refitted it, but this time with a 15mm “T” section inserted to lead to an oil catch tank.... A modification suggested by Steve but adapted to suit the garage smell objective, - watch this space for more developments!

## **SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER:-**

### **July 29th / August 1st TR Register IWE**

20 CVTR members made it to Harrogate which by all accounts was a very successful weekend. A very well run site with proper exhibition halls (not cow sheds) made for a clean and friendly environment for the numerous events on hand. You will have a chance to read all about it in TR Action-so you will have to wait for the pictures and stories a few more days.

Unfortunately our Group Leader was unable to attend due to an incident with the Wentworth (support Volvo) on the Thursday which meant he had no transport. That however has now been rectified and another Wentworth is installed ready for the rest of the year.

## **INTERNATIONAL MEETING HARROGATE 2011**

Phil & Sandy Blake

Everything was ready. Hotel booked 6 months ago and confirmed, the cat had been taken to her holiday home (the cattery), car fuelled to the brim, cases packed and sun tan lotion applied.

We had arranged to meet Richard & Meg on Friday afternoon and also Shane & Chris, the owners of a very nice TR2 who we became friends with on an earlier trip in 2011 to Belgium, at the Harewood Hill Climb a few miles from Harrogate. The event was organised by The Register and gave the members a chance to experience the fun of giving your TR a jolly good thrashing up and down the longest hill climb circuit in the UK. We arrived just in time to book our 2 runs and to take part in the 2pm cavalcade which allowed all of the entrants to take a gentle look at the hill before being let loose on it later in the afternoon. After phoning Jensen for some advice we made our way to the start line where we were warned by the marshal to take it easy on the first section as the hill drops down quite sharply and at the bottom there is a very sharp right hander. Somehow we managed to stay on the black stuff all the way round which was a miracle as I also had to contend with Sandy screaming and shouting at me to slow down. It's a great feeling as you cross the line to know you have made it in one piece. Then a satisfied grin appears across your face and you say to yourself that was bloody good fun. Richard came back after his second run having left a rather large amount of rubber on the tarmac and tales of how he managed to do a bit of grass mowing near the last bend. A very good day was had by all and I also managed to meet my twin TR5 (both registrations ended in 600F).



The weather was again nice and sunny on Saturday and with the roof removed we set off to the showground where we were directed to park with the other TR5's and 250's. It was nice to see some of the other CVTR members around the show but unfortunately Andy did not make it having altered the front end shape of the Volvo before he even left the Midlands. I hear another similar Volvo has been acquired to make one good one from the two.

After sending the girls shopping into Harrogate with our credit cards, we decided that a technical lecture on engines was a good way to spend lunch time. Here we bumped into Ian Brown who was in charge of the proceedings for all the lectures. I now feel very confident that I can tackle any engine problem, so if anybody wants a rebuild I am your man to take the engine apart. Not sure about putting it back together until I go to the second lecture next year.

After a good look around the rest of the show including the spares and concours halls we came across a long wheel base TR6 which seemed to be at least 6" longer than a standard car. When the owner was asked about the car having extra length he replied in the negative and gave us a look as if we had escaped from the local institution for less than sane people. I know it was longer and so does Richard!! Time to get back to the hotel for a lie down.

Sunday was a chance to have a look around the North Yorkshire area and we ended up at the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway which was about 40 miles from Harrogate. It was reopened in 1968 by the preservation society and runs steam trains between Oxenhope and Keighley. This is where the Railway Children, starring Jenny Agutter, was filmed and everything is all still kept in magnificent condition. They even had a brass band to greet us at the station.



# HARROGATE IWE 2011

Richard and Meg Durrant

The Drakes Broughton expeditionary force set out to meet up with fellow CVTR members and friends for the CEDAR COURT Hotel which was to be their base for the IWE before moving on to a tour of the Yorkshire Dales



and on the way, taking in the Friday festivities at Harewood Hillclimb where Paul (Cat) Tunnadine was strutting his stuff for the crowd:-



with some seriously quick bits of engineering on display:-



Whilst Meg and Sandy discussed the boys and their toys, or was it the imminent to trip to Betty's in Harrogate?



Saturday witnessed a great line up of TRs at the showground, with Phil and Bea to the forefront:-





There were plenty of entrants and polishers in the concours hall:-



with entrants including this original stunning Francorchamps:-



There was even time to check out the excellent “Technical Seminar” set up in the forestry pavilion and take in part of Steve Hall’s presentation:-



**August 14th.** CVTR Sunday lunch at The Oak at Upton Snodsbury



organised by Richard and Meg Durrant. 14 TR's and one Triumph Vitesse (Mike Hills 3 is still off the road. Do you realise that in order to replace the fan belt you have to remove most of the front end – hence the Vitesse gracing the car park).



31 CVTR members attended the lunch and many thanks to Richard for his continued generosity and for dipping his hand in his pocket to buy everyone a drink to celebrate his Ruby Wedding Anniversary (28th August) and for the surprise cake at the end of the meal.



May you both have many more years together and on behalf of the club, many thanks for all the hard work you continue to put in!

### **August 25th CVTR meeting at The Fleece.**

32 members attended. John Walker in his completed TR3 all the way from Witney, well done John! Nigel came along in the Peerless, (and was later spotted adjusting his fan belt to ensure the dynamo generated sufficient candle power to see his way home)

Andy went through the apologies from Colin and Leslie Boother, Mike Parry, Mike Betteridge, and Alan Wilding. After reviewing the past 4 weeks events, see above Andy then went onto the forthcoming events.

### **August 28<sup>th</sup>**

Birmingham are hosting a family day at their new location--see the e-mail from Andy about this. If you can make it then please contact Phil Daniels direct.

### **August 29th-- Pershore Plum Festival.**

By now Andy should have had your name and car details for this great event. Cars in place please by 10.00am on the grassed area beside the church.

### **September 3<sup>rd</sup> -Midlands Air Ambulance Support**

Is our big event where we are helping the Air Ambulance as our chosen charity for 2011. Details have been in previous newsletters and handed out at the last two monthly meetings. If in doubt as to what is going on please contact [andrew@aracey.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:andrew@aracey.orangehome.co.uk) who will be only too pleased to bring you up to date. Stop press--We have been told today that it is hoped that a Chinook helicopter will also be in attendance.

### **September 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>**

Lakes weekend, as usual, organised by Cat, some of our members will also be attending this event.

### **September 10<sup>th</sup> Peopleton car show and Fete**

organised by Richard Durrant. Cars need to be on site by 12.00noon please at the latest. This was very popular last year with over 100 cars and many other attractions.

### **September 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday lunch**

Keith Brown (via Andy Canning ) has already sent out a e-mail on this event. Meet in Pershore, Broad Street, at 11.30 to convoy over Castle Morton Common to the venue, Rose and Crown and if you wish after lunch drive to The Three Choirs vineyard for a tour .Please contact Keith Brown if you wish to go.

### **September 28<sup>th</sup>**

CVTR meeting at The Fleece.

### **October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Throckmorton Clubman championship where a number of TR ,s will be racing

### **October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Stoneleigh restoration show.

### **November -11/12/13<sup>th</sup>**

Classic Car Show at The NEC.

### **November 27<sup>th</sup>**

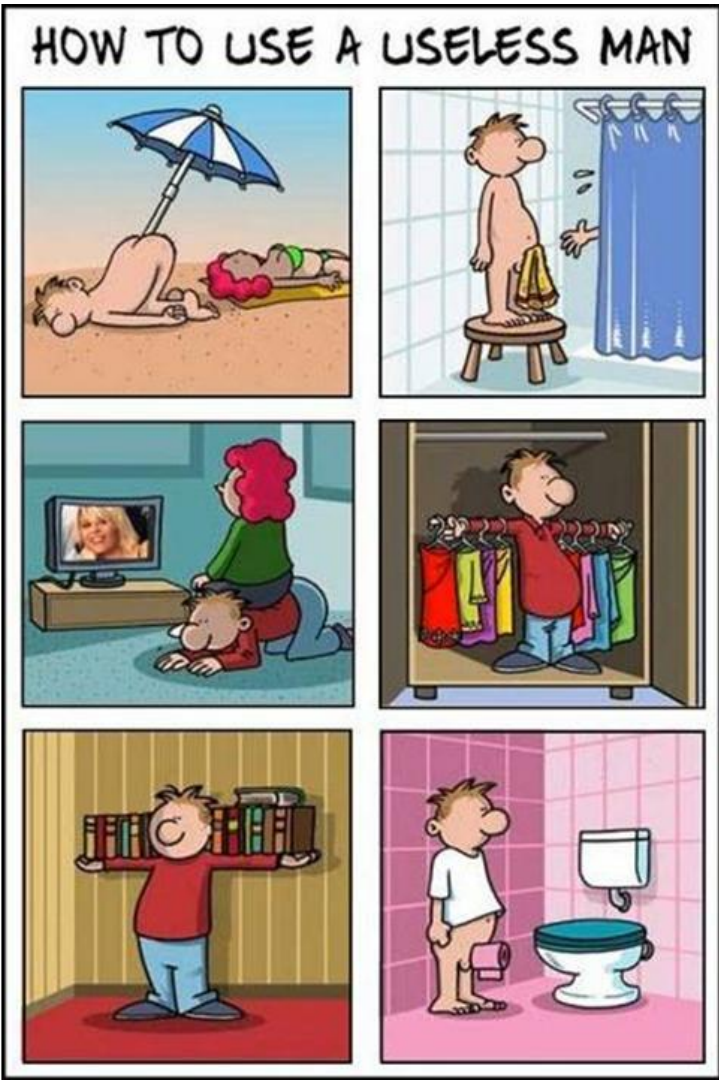
TR Register Annual AGM at Gaydon.

## **LADIES SUPPLEMENT**

### **Secrets to a long happy marriage**



A old woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, "I love you so much, I don't know how I could ever live without you"... Her husband asks, "Is that you, or the wine talking?"... She replies, "It's me... talking to the wine."





*"All the other women in the office are suing you for sexual harassment. Since you haven't sexually harassed me, I'm suing you for discrimination."*



*Friends Don't Let  
Friends Drink and  
Take Home Ugly Men*

As you can see from the above the years events are by no means over. Still lots to do and places to see, so keep the wheels rolling a bit longer. We hope to see at some of the above events with your cars. Fingers crossed the dry weather holds out for events, but rains during the night for the gardens!

*Andrew Racey, Ian Brown and Richard Durrant*